

*Jacob Rhodes to John Gray Blount*Lumberton May 6th 1796

Sir

Not Wishing to pay a Tax for the Entrees I made in Bladen (& your not coming forward to pay the Bounty to the State as Soon as I expected) have ordered Mr. Singletary to Strike them all off However he has omitted One hundred entrees — If it is your wish or intention to take them into the Company concur You Will please to let me know immediately otherwise I Shall not consider myself bound to Hold them for you any longer —

Mr. David Allison of Philadelphia has Settled With me agreeable to the Order of Maj^r. Ogg (which I Shew to you at Raleigh) and One hundred & Sixty nine Dollars which is to be allowed you in our settlement in the Sales of the Land — There was Some little misunderstanding between me & him respecting Mr. Atkins which I pursume was occasioned by a misrepresentation —

I am informed that our lands Sold at 4/p^r Acre, by others a 3/9 & by Mr. Allison [2] twenty five cents[;] either of these sum are different from what you Signified to me — Therefore in order to be upon a Certainty I take the Liberty to request the favour of you to let me know what sum you have in contemplation to Settle with me at. also when you expect to be ready to close that business

I have wrote to you twice or three but rec^d. no answer —

I lodged your acc^t. for my surveying fees with Mr. Rob^t Donaldson in Fayette¹¹⁶ which I hope you will immedeately discharge otherwise there will be a Suit commensed ag^t. me Which undoubtedly you will not be so ungenerous as to Suffer whe[n] y[ou] will know a great part was [?] money advanced out of my pockett as will appear by the —* of the Acc^t. under the Signiture of your agent Mr. Blackledge —

If it is convenient & agreeable to you to purchase my interest in the Land business let me know & I will make you a proposition I am

Your Humble. Srv^t.
J Rhodes

Addressed: John Gray Blount Esquire
Washington

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¹¹⁶ A "Robert Donaldson and Co." of Fayetteville, Cumberland County, is listed in "Census 1790," in Clark, *State Records*, XXVI, 463.

* Illegible.